

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 243

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Mr. Kevin Ragland of Springfield High School upon receiving the Springfield-Robertson County Chamber of Commerce Education Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kevin Ragland is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity for many years teaching Agriculture at Springfield High School; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his outstanding tenure as a teacher, Mr. Ragland has recently been selected to receive the Springfield-Robertson County Chamber of Commerce Education Award, rightfully acknowledging the positive influence he has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield-Robertson County Chamber of Commerce Education Award for outstanding educators is selected from nominations submitted by students, who, in the case of Mr. Ragland, cited his ability to make learning fun and make students feel at ease. One student stated that the reason he wakes up every morning looking forward to school was to attend Mr. Ragland's class that day; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Ragland is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate his students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ragland truly serves as an inspiration to his colleagues and students alike, and his friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kevin Ragland truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Mr. Kevin Ragland of Springfield High School upon receiving the Springfield-Robertson County Chamber of Commerce Education Award, commend his exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute his professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.